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- (g) Quality of the management plan. (1) The Secretary considers the quality of the management plan for the proposed project.
- (2) In determining the quality of the management plan for the proposed project, the Secretary considers one or more of the following factors:
- (i) The adequacy of the management plan to achieve the objectives of the proposed project on time and within budget, including clearly defined responsibilities, timelines, and milestones for accomplishing project tasks.
- (ii) The adequacy of procedures for ensuring feedback and continuous improvement in the operation of the proposed project.
- (iii) The adequacy of mechanisms for ensuring high-quality products and services from the proposed project.
- (iv) The extent to which the time commitments of the project director and principal investigator and other key project personnel are appropriate and adequate to meet the objectives of the proposed project.
- (v) How the applicant will ensure that a diversity of perspectives are brought to bear in the operation of the proposed project, including those of parents, teachers, the business community, a variety of disciplinary and professional fields, recipients or beneficiaries of services, or others, as appropriate.
- (h) Quality of the project evaluation. (1) The Secretary considers the quality of the evaluation to be conducted of the proposed project.
- (2) In determining the quality of the evaluation, the Secretary considers one or more of the following factors:
- (i) The extent to which the methods of evaluation are thorough, feasible, and appropriate to the goals, objectives, and outcomes of the proposed project.
- (ii) The extent to which the methods of evaluation are appropriate to the context within which the project operates
- (iii) The extent to which the methods of evaluation provide for examining the effectiveness of project implementation strategies.
- (iv) The extent to which the methods of evaluation include the use of objective performance measures that are

clearly related to the intended outcomes of the project and will produce quantitative and qualitative data to the extent possible.

- (v) The extent to which the methods of evaluation will provide timely guidance for quality assurance.
- (vi) The extent to which the methods of evaluation will provide performance feedback and permit periodic assessment of progress toward achieving intended outcomes.
- (vii) The extent to which the evaluation will provide guidance about effective strategies suitable for replication or testing in other settings.

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## § 75.211 Selection criteria for unsolicited applications.

- (a) If the Secretary considers an unsolicited application under 34 CFR 75.222(a)(2)(ii), the Secretary uses the selection criteria and factors, if any, used for the competition under which the application could have been funded.
- (b) If the Secretary considers an unsolicited application under 34 CFR 75.222(a)(2)(iii), the Secretary selects from among the criteria in \$75.210(b), and may select from among the specific factors listed under each criterion, the criteria that are most appropriate to evaluate the activities proposed in the application.

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## SELECTION PROCEDURES

## § 75.215 How the Department selects a new project: purpose of §§ 75.216– 75.222.

Sections 75.216–75.222 describe the process the Secretary uses to select applications for new grants. All of these sections apply to a discretionary grant program. However, only §75.216 applies also to a formula grant program.

Cross reference: See \$75.200(b) Discretionary grant program, and (c) Formula grant program.

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